

CITY OF CARO REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES

Mayor Joe Greene called the regular meeting of the City Council to order on April 20, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. electronically via Zoom Video Communications (meeting ID: 932 8909 1198)

Present: Mayor Joe Greene, City Council: Brian Rickwalt, Alvin Zavitz (7:42 p.m.), Bob Eschenbacher (7:36 p.m.), Don Hall, Tisha Jones-Holubec, and Jill White

Absent: None

Others in Attendance: Matthew Lane – City Manager, Sara Savage – Clerk/Treasurer and other guests

SWEARING IN OF NEW COUNCIL MEMBER – Clerk/Treasurer Sara Savage administered the Oath of Office of Council Member to Jill White.

AGENDA APPROVAL

20-M-066

Motion by Rickwalt, seconded by Hall to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of Flower Pots as regular agenda item #6. Roll Call: Eschenbacher – absent, Hall – yes, Jones-Holubec – yes, Rickwalt – yes, White – yes, Zavitz – absent, Mayor Greene – yes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT/VISITORS: None

COMMUNICATIONS: Noted.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Regular Council Minutes – April 6, 2020
2. Special Council Minutes – April 13, 2020
3. Invoices
4. Department Reports
 - A. Police Report – Chief Brian Newcomb
 - B. Fire Report – Chief Randall Heckroth
 - C. Code Enforcement – Randall Heckroth
 - D. DPW/Water Reports – Jeff Graham
 - E. WWTP – Curtis Wells
 - F. Municipal Parking Violations Bureau Report – Sara Savage

20-M-067

Motion by Jones-Holubec, seconded by Hall to approve the consent agenda including the invoices. Roll Call: Hall – yes, Jones-Holubec – yes, Rickwalt – yes, White – yes, Zavitz – absent, Eschenbacher – absent, Mayor Greene – yes. Motion carried.

REGULAR AGENDA: (action required)

1. Resolution Allowing City Manager to Sign All Necessary Documents for the Purchase of Real Estate from Stephens' Tire Service for the Caro Farmers' Market
20-M-068

Motion by Hall, seconded by White to approve the Resolution Allowing City Manager to Sign All Necessary Documents for the Purchase of Real Estate from Stephens' Tire Service for the Caro Farmers' Market. Roll Call: Jones-Holubec – yes, Rickwalt – yes, White – yes, Zavitz – absent, Eschenbacher – yes, Hall – yes, Mayor Greene – yes. Motion carried.

2. Resolution Addressing the State of Michigan's Response to COVID-19 and the Request to Governor's Office to Consider an Amendment to Executive Order 2020-42

20-M-069

Motion by Hall, seconded by Jones-Holubec to approve the Resolution Addressing the State of Michigan's Response to COVID-19 and the Request to Governor's Office to Consider an Amendment to Executive Order 2020-42. Roll Call: Rickwalt – yes, White – yes, Zavitz – absent, Eschenbacher – yes, Hall – yes, Jones-Holubec – yes, Mayor Greene – yes. Motion carried.

3. Mayor Appointments

Mayor Greene added Councilor White to the Finance and Policy committees, added Councilor White as Historical Commission liaison, moved Councilor Hall to DDA liaison, and added Councilor Zavitz as Planning Commission liaison.

4. Dog Park

Mayor Greene has received quotes on fencing and labor for a dog park to be placed at Chippewa Landing and would like to start planning it to be built. The consensus of council was the dog park is a good idea and we will plan to build it.

5. Set Finance Committee Meeting of the Whole (Budget)

Finance Committee Meeting of the Whole set for Monday April 27, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. in the Fire Hall.

6. Flower Pots

Councilor White stated she spoke with Jim Will about filling flower barrels to be placed in the downtown. The barrels are at the DPW. The cost would be less than \$1,000 and the city will pay for it instead of DDA. The consensus of council was to have the flower barrels filled and put in the downtown.

ITEMS PENDING/TABLED: None

COMMITTEE/LIAISON POSITION REPORTS: None

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Greene submitted a written report.

MANAGER COMMENTS: City Manager Matthew Lane submitted a written report.

CLERK'S REPORT: Clerk/Treasurer Sara Savage submitted a written report.

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT: None

20-M-070

Moved by Eschenbacher, seconded by Hall to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Roll call: White – yes, Zavitz – yes, Eschenbacher – yes, Hall – yes, Jones-Holubec – yes, Rickwalt – yes, Mayor Greene – yes. Motion carried.

Sara Savage
Clerk/Treasurer